

By: Representative Cameron

To: Insurance

HOUSE BILL NO. 353

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83-11-501, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO PROVIDE THAT NO INSURER MAY RECOMMEND A PARTICULAR CONTRACTOR  
3 FOR AUTOMOBILE GLASS REPAIR; TO PROVIDE THAT NO INSURER SHALL  
4 ESTABLISH AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PROCESSING OF CLAIMS OR BILLS WITH  
5 A GLASS BROKER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 83-11-501, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9 83-11-501. (1) No insurer may recommend a particular  
10 contractor or may require as a condition of payment of a claim  
11 that repairs to a damaged vehicle, including glass repairs or  
12 replacements, must be made by a particular contractor or motor  
13 vehicle repair shop \* \* \*.

14 (2) Insurers shall not raise the discount percent within  
15 three percent (3%) of the average glass price increase.

16 (3) No insurer shall establish an agreement for the  
17 processing of claims or bills with a glass broker or with an  
18 entity that has a financial interest in an entity in this state  
19 that installs or provides glass installation. For the purposes of  
20 this subsection, the term "glass broker" means an automobile glass  
21 company that acts as a third-party agent for the insurer whenever  
22 the glass broker enters into agreements with other automobile  
23 glass dealers to perform glass repair work or to install or  
24 manufacture glass or to provide glass for installation.

25 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
26 and after July 1, 2002.

